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### BMV Announces Website to Verify Excise Tax Refund Eligibility

**INDIANAPOLIS** – Commissioner of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) Don Snemis announced today that the BMV has launched a website that allows customers to determine if they are eligible for an Excise Tax refund.

"In early October the BMV began sending out claim forms to customers who were affected by the Excise Tax misclassification," said Snemis. "All of those letters have been mailed. In case someone did not receive their letter, the BMV has created a website that allows Hoosiers to verify their eligibility and print a claim form that includes mailing instructions."

To avoid any potential fraud, the BMV is asking Hoosiers to access the Refund Eligibility page by visiting [myBMV.com](http://myBMV.com) and clicking on the green "Check Your Excise Tax Refund Eligibility" icon on the right-hand side of the home page. Users will need to input either their Social Security Number or their Driver's License Number in order to check their eligibility.



## Background

On October 8, 2014, the BMV began sending out claim forms to Hoosiers affected by the Excise Tax miscalculation. That process was completed last week. In less than a month, the BMV issued 185,252 claim forms to customers totaling \$28.59 million, not including interest.

To date, the BMV has received over 131,000 claim forms and has processed over 92,700 claims totaling \$14.9 million, plus \$1.2 million in interest. The BMV is currently processing claims about a week after the claim forms are received, and checks are being issued about a week later.

Given that letters were mailed as late as last week, the BMV expects to continue receiving and processing claim forms for quite some time. As to any unclaimed refunds, the BMV will use all reasonable measures to locate everyone entitled to a refund, including follow-up mailings and the use of national databases to locate individuals who may have moved outside of Indiana. After all reasonable means of locating customers entitled to refunds have been exhausted, refunds will be turned over to the Indiana Attorney General's Indiana Unclaimed program.

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